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RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_**

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*Introduced by: Saunders, Tyler*

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A RESOLUTION honoring Wayman Hoots.

*Whereas, Wayman Hoots is truly an American war hero;*

*Whereas, During World War II, Wayman Hoots, on separate occasions, was shot in the neck by a sniper, permanently lost hearing in one ear when a bomb exploded, was placed before a German firing squad, nearly starved to death, and was held captive for 27 months as a prisoner of war;*

*Whereas, Born and raised near Albany, Kentucky, Wayman Hoots enlisted in the Army at age 19, telling the officials he was two years older than he was;*

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*Whereas, After training at Fort Knox, Wayman Hoots served as an engineer and operated a truck;*

*Whereas, Wayman Hoots' tour of duty took him to Ireland, England, and North Africa;*

*Whereas, After he was rescued from the prisoner of war camp, Wayman Hoots was sent to Miami, Florida, to recover and be discharged;*

*Whereas, Wayman hitchhiked to Kentucky where he was reunited with his wife Mary and met his 2 1/2 year old daughter Nell;*

*Whereas, Within a year, Wayman and Mary Hoots moved to New Castle, Indiana, where he got a job with Ingersoll Steel, a job he held for 30 years;*

*Whereas, Even though Wayman Hoots endured unimaginable pain and suffering, he would gladly fight for his country again to ensure freedom for us all; and*

*Whereas, Wayman Hoots stands tall among American heroes as a shining example of someone whose love of country is so great as to outshine all things: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1           SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives expresses  
2           its deepest gratitude to Wayman Hoots for his service and sacrifice for  
3           his country.

4           SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
5           Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to Wayman Hoots  
6           and his family.

